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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT: DDI Activity Report 23 - 27 September 1985

DCI/DDCI Assigned Tasks

ACIS completed its review of the Decision Document for the SCC Session XXIX.

NESA prepared a memorandum on Afghan subversion in tribal areas, concluding that these efforts will not have much success.

NESA prepared a memorandum on the possibility of an early terrorist attack, possibly directed against the US, in one of the Persian Gulf states.

Policy Support

The SALT Monitoring Report for the period 1 January through 30 June is in the final stage of printing and should be finished 30 September.

ACIS attended a Senior Arms Control Group meeting concerning preparations for Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze's visit, and attended a session on the results of the President's meeting with Shevardnadze.

ACIS briefed Commissioner Ellis and the SCC Working Group on SCC XXIX compliance issues (SS-16s and SNDVs).

ACIS attended an ACVC meeting regarding compliance issues in Europe and the public release of five additional compliance findings.

Work in CPAS on the briefing package for the President on Soviet Strategic Defense Programs is ahead of schedule: the design work is done, and it will be disseminated Wednesday.

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Admiral Crowe, who will succeed General Vessey as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs on Tuesday, received his first regular PDB briefing this week.

EURA provided Presidential Science Adviser Keyworth with updated materials on French efforts, related to EUREKA, to close Western Europe's technology gap with the US and Japan.

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EURA drafted a joint typescript with SOVA assessing the likely outcome of French President Mitterrand's meeting with Soviet General Secretary Gorbachev in Paris on 2-5 October. The typescript was cabled to Secretary Shultz in New York prior to his meetings with Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and French Foreign Minister Dumas and was handcarried to other PDB recipients.

EURA met with the new NSC staffer for economic affairs, who wants to learn more about how EURA supports the US delegations to the annual economic summits.

EURA has arranged for a branch chief or senior analyst to attend the regular weekly staff meeting of State Department's Office of Southern European Affairs. Attendance at the first session this week provided fresh insights that were reflected in talking points provided the DCI on Greece. The EURA representative also contributed to a strategy session on the ongoing Cyprus negotiations.

NESA prepared a memorandum for the NSC on the status of Libyan opposition.

NESA completed a typescript, "Indo-Soviet Arms Relationship: A Look Ahead," for Michael Pillsbury, Assistant Under Secretary of Defense for Policy Planning.

NESA drafted a typescript on prospects for the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation for Herb Hagerty, Director of PAB, NEA/State. Mr. Hagerty is formulating recommendations for Under Secretary Whitehead, who will soon visit South Asia. The typescript concluded that SAARC will have the most success in areas that are not politically sensitive.

OEA prepared a written response to Senator Murkowski's request for an assessment of the impact on Japanese economy of a major increase in Japanese defense spending.

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OEA briefed Congressional staffers on China's civilian nuclear power program and the effect of the US-China nuclear accord on China's nuclear weapons capability.

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OGI briefed the Deputy Director of the Task Force on the African Famine/AID.

OGI prepared a memo on the Papal assassination trial for Vice President Bush.

OSWR briefed Dr. Keyworth, President's Science Advisor, on status of biotech-related CBW worldwide.

OSWR hosted a briefing for Dr. Paul Doty, John F. Kennedy Institute for International Studies, Harvard University, on CBW Use in SE Asia and Afghanistan.

OSWR briefed the House Armed Services Committee staff on the Nonacoustic ASW Research Program.

OSWR briefed representatives of the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the Navy on antiship cruise missile developments that alter the threat they impose on the fleet.

OSWR briefed Frank Vargo, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Europe, Department of Commerce, on the MI-26 and MI-17 Soviet helicopters.

OSWR prepared a briefing for the French Minister of Defense on Soviet Strategic Defense activities at the request of Secretary Shultz.

SOVA prepared three working memos for ACIS in support of the SACG: "What if the Soviets Table a Comprehensive Arms Control Package?;" "One Guess at Soviet-Desired Strategic Arms Control Package;" and "One Guess at Soviet Strategic Arms Control Package, Assuming Acceptance of US Proposals."

SOVA briefed OSD and a US Navy Research and Engineer Group on Soviet naval bombers and strike aircraft.

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Research

CPAS will complete printing of the DI Research Program for FY86 by next Thursday.

OSWR published a Top Secret Reference Aid, "The Soviet ABM Program 1960-1985."

SOVA produced a typescript, "Prospects for Movement in Soviet-Israeli Relations," reviewing recent reports of Soviet-Israeli contacts, which have fueled much speculation in Israel that the USSR is planning to reestablish diplomatic relations with Israel.

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Other

The Operations Center held a two-day conference [redacted] to discuss ways to maintain our warning and alerting posture, stay on top of the incoming morning traffic, and simultaneously publish the Midday Intelligence Report.

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EURO attended a two-day seminar on the Future of West European policies toward the East at the Brookings Institute.

NESA sponsored a one-day session with about twenty professors who head Middle Eastern and South Asian research centers at universities throughout the US. The focus was not on substantive issues--although discussions of area developments took place informally--but on the intelligence process from the NESA perspective. NESA objectives were to give the academic specialists an opportunity to get to know us and our work, demonstrate that the Office (and Agency) provides rewarding employment opportunities, and to make contacts to enhance our external research efforts.

OGI held a seminar on "Soviet Challenge to Influence in the Third World" at Airlie House.

OGI met with personnel from the Air Force Special Operations School at Hurlburt Field, Florida. The school is developing a new course on Insurgency and Counterinsurgency.

OGI conducted a seminar on Insurgency for cadets in the Senior Seminar Program at West Point.

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SOVA participated in a conference on measuring counterinsurgency wars sponsored by SAI International.

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Briefings on the Hill

There were 5 briefings on the Hill this past week.



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